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Geremonies





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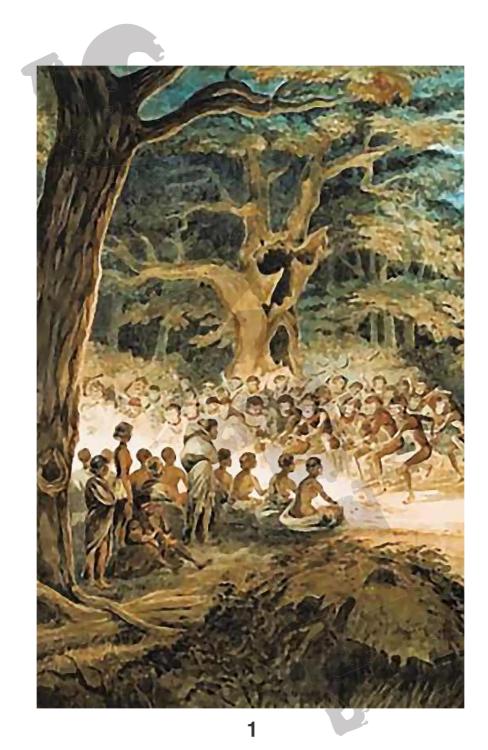
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ACARA reference: Growing up in Aboriginal cultures is different to the current nuclear family. Cross-curriculum priority is given to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Histories and Culture. This can be discussed as an integrated unit of work in relation to comparing families and cultures. This is a discussion starter on the requirements for the way Australian families live today and comparing with the other cultures in time and space. ACARA however, state clearly the Early Years' focus is literacy not knowledge or content.

Teacher notes: The First Peoples of Australia have a rich culture that goes back tens of thousands of years. As their culture is passed on through oral tradition, ceremonial performances encompassing song and dance has long been an important facet of their societies. Their ceremonies use song, dance, and painting – as well as other elements – to retell stories of the Dreaming and pass this ancient knowledge on to younger generations.

Difficult words: ceremony, different, family, important, instrument, lessons, older, oldest, performed, sacred, wedding.



A ceremony is a used to mark an important event. A wedding is a kind of ceremony. The First Peoples have many important ceremonies.





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Song and dance is a big part of ceremony for the First Peoples.

